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LONG BEACH HEARS COMMUNIST PROGRAM

WESTERN WORKER EDITOR SMASHES PROSECUTION LIES

Leo Gallagher Exposes Capitalist Justice by Forcing De Vries to the Wall

On Stand Three Days

Courtroom and Hallways Continually Jammed; I. L. D. Needs Help

LONG BEACH, March 5.—In his first three days on the witness stand, Sam Darcy, editor of the WESTERN WORKER and first witness for the defense, completely smashed the network of lies, misrepresentation and "secrecy" carefully woven out of very flimsy material by the prosecution in co-operation with the Los Angeles Red Squad in their several weeks of presenting testimony by alleged "experts" on Communism, against 45 defendants charged with "unlawful assembly to violate the Criminal Syndicalism Law by overthrowing the government by force and violence."

"CAPITALIST JUSTICE"

Immediately after the State rested its case, Leo Gallagher, well known working class attorney in Los Angeles now acting for the defense, made a motion to dismiss the case. In a thorough and brilliant argument he completely proved that this case has no basis in law and no precedent. In a few moments of hot cross-fire between Gallagher and the prosecutor, Mr. [Continued on Page 5, Col. 3.]

TUNA FISHERMEN STRIKE IN PEDRO, OVER 5000 OUT

Union Leaders Plan Sell Out But Workers Demand to Hear T. U. U. L. Representative

SAN PEDRO, March 6.—Over 5,000 tuna fishermen in San Diego and San Pedro are now on strike against the canneries who refuse to pay \$400,000 due the fishermen for last year's catch. The bosses are determined to further reduce the price of fish, and the strikers are the mercy of A. F. of L. union leaders who are maneuvering to sell out the strike.

The fishermen, composed of Japanese, Italians, Portuguese, American, Slavonian workers, are organized into independent associations. The best form of struggle that the leaders of these associations can suggest to the workers is the use of the boss-controlled courts, arbitration groups composed of corrupt officials of the associations, and the labor commissioner from Sacramento. Knowing the nature and history of such fake struggles that the leadership pretends to carry on for the workers, it is easy to see certain victory for the cannery bosses if the rank and file of the workers do not take the leadership of the strike into their own hands.

The fishermen demand fish prices ranging from \$100 to \$60; the canneries, \$80 to \$50. This is a reduction in the past two years of 30%. The canneries are closed down; what fishing is done, is for the fresh market only. The height of the tuna season is near, and a broad rank and file struggle is certain to bring the big canneries to their knees.

On the other hand if the workers depend upon their present mis- (Continued on P. 5, Col. 1.)

WEST COAST LAGGING IN DAILY DRIVE

The DAILY WORKER Central organ of the Communist Party U. S. A. is still in grave financial difficulties. The workers of the East and Middle West have carried the brunt of the Emergency Drive. Barely sufficient funds have been collected to get the Daily out from day to day, but not enough to minimize the danger of suspension!

WORKERS OF THE WEST COAST:

The only National Daily that voices and leads all your struggles, must be saved. Let's all put our shoulders to the wheel. Send every nickel and dime you can get. Take the initiative yourself. Collect from all your friends and shop-mates. Ask your union and fraternal organization to contribute. Rush all funds to the DAILY WORKER, 50 EAST 13TH ST., NEW YORK CITY, or through the WESTERN WORKER.

Delay may prove fatal! Act immediately!

TERROR FAILS TO SCARE LONG BEACH WORKERS

Workers Organizing to Force Demands From City Administration

LONG BEACH, Calif., March 7.—The vicious police thuggery which still is attempting to stamp out the rising wave of fighting workers who refused to starve in a land of plenty, has failed to halt the Long Beach Unemployed Council which calls on every one of the 20,000 unemployed of this city to organize under its fighting banners.

For the past few months the City Council has set up a fake Unemployed Relief "Executive Committee," to throttle the fighting determination of the workers who have become desperate with approaching starvation. The City Hall gang realized that their only escape lay in keeping the masses disorganized and "quiet." Lane, an administration lawyer on the "Executive" committee, explained to the City Council, "The committee

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SUPERVISORS REFUSE TO HEAR CHARITY WORKERS' COMMITTEE

Workers Demand \$5.00 Cash Instead of Light Weight Box Groceries; Will Continue Fight

San Francisco supervisors today refused to listen to the committee selected by the men and women working on the charity jobs, who presented their demands that they be paid \$5.00 a day cash, instead of the miserably inadequate boxes of groceries they now receive. In an effort to pass the buck the workers were kept waiting four hours and then referred to the Welfare Committee, notorious for its cynical disregard of the desperate condition of the unemployed.

Only an organized struggle of all workers, whether working for the charities or not, will force the city administration to provide real relief for the jobless.

UNEMPLOYED FORCED TO SCAB ON FIRED PARK EMPLOYEES

Hundreds of unemployed families in San Francisco have rallied to

the struggle against forced labor in return for the "relief" provided by the Associated Charities. The local politicians are netting added graft by firing city park employees who have been paid \$5.00 a day, and forcing unemployed heads of families to work five and a half days every third week for no wages other than light-weight grocery boxes and 20c a day (car fare) the week they are working.

UNEMPLOYED FAMILIES ORGANIZE FOR STRUGGLE

During the past three weeks, mass meetings have been held throughout the city, at which workers spoke of the miserable conditions that the bosses of the city have forced on them. Hundreds have filled registrations, commit-

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Comrade Bjorkman, the main speaker, outlined the past struggle to free Mooney. In this, he exposed the faker role of the Socialist Party as an out and out capitalist party in spite of their radical phrases.

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FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION SPECIAL EDITION WESTERN WORKER

F. S. U. CALLS FOR DEFENSE OF SOVIET UNION

1000 NEW MEMBERS BY MAY 1 AND FORMATION OF 4 LOCALS CALIFORNIA DISTRICT GOAL

San Francisco District Conference Sets Future Tasks in Factory Work

One thousand new members, one thousand subscriptions to "Soviet Russia Today," two Anti-War Conferences for the Defense of the Soviet Union and the Chinese Soviets, and the sending of three workers' delegates to the Soviet Union are the chief tasks set by the seventy delegates to the second San Francisco District F. S. U. Conference to be accomplished by May 1st.

This program enthusiastically discussed and accepted by the delegates, is the practical manner in which the district will carry out the new policy of the Friends of the Soviet Union, worked out at the International Conference and presented by Norman Tallentire, the American delegate. The keynote of the new policy lies in turning our concentration toward the workers, particularly in the industries. The attack of the imperialist countries upon the Chinese Soviets and the seizure of Manchuria by Japan as a base for attack on the Soviet Union throws upon the workers of all countries the immediate problem of how to carry out the defense of the Workers Republics.

COMRADE ORR REPORTS

Orr reported on district activities. Since the last conference four new locals have been formed at Martinez, Stockton, Fresno and Richmond. The membership is now in excess of eight hundred, of whom at least two hundred and fifty have joined within the last month. Three hundred subscriptions have been secured for the new national magazine, "Soviet Russia Today," in addition to a bundle order of eight hundred and fifty. These were sold so quickly that the order was raised to one thousand. Our literature items disclosed a sale of five hundred Moscow News every five days, four hundred and fifty Economic Reviews, one hundred and fifty U. S. S. R. In Construction and one hundred Soviet Union Reviews.

SHORTCOMINGS AIRED

The report then turned to self-criticism and the shortcomings of

COAST SPRING DELEGATION TO LEAVE FOR SOVIET UNION IN TIME FOR MAY CELEBRATIONS

10 Delegates from West Coast to Come from Marine, Transport and Chemical Industries

The American section of the Soviet Union has been invited by the Cultural Department of All Union Central Council of Trade Unions to send a delegation of 50 workers to the May 1st celebration in Moscow. The delegates are going from the basic industries which occupy key positions in war times and in the preparations for war, i.e. miners, railway workers, metal, chemical, textile, dockers and seamen.

DELEGATES MUST BE ELECTED AT SHOP MEETINGS

Each delegate must, without fail, be elected at workers' meetings from the factory in which he or she is employed, on the basis of widespread election campaign. The purpose of the campaign should be to secure the participation of the largest possible number of workers in the given enterprise in the election of the delegate.

The delegation is expected to include 20% young workers, 20% unemployed, 25% negro workers and 25% women to be truly representative of the American working class.

INVITATIONS FROM SOVIET

Campaigns for the election of the delegates will be carried out on the basis of invitations from the workers in specific Soviet factories to the workers in specific factories in the same industries.

Ten of the delegates will go from the Coast and of these, five will be from California. Two of these lat-

Cablegram from the International Office of the F. S. U.

F. S. U., 80 E. 11th St., New York.

Far Eastern situation demands immediate action. F. S. U. Stop. Urge take initiative, formation broad committees of action, organize mass demonstrations, factory meetings, register workers solidarity defense Soviet Union, Chinese Soviets. Stop. Shanghai events latest phase preparations destroy successful building socialism. Stop. Campaign must expose role complicity imperialist powers, particularly France, England, America. Stop. Send full reports activities.

RUSSOFREUNDE.

West Coast Salmon Fishermen Leaving for Kamchatka Bk.

A Diesel equipped, seventy-foot fishing boat with a crew of ten experienced Alaska fishermen is to be put at the disposal of Vladivostok Riba, the Far Eastern Commissariat of Food Supplies, this spring as soon as arrangements being made for them by the San Francisco Friends of the Soviet Union with Amtorg Trading Co. are completed.

The "Rally," with Captain Spangel and his crew have fished for salmon off British Columbia, Southern Alaska and Bristol Bay for many years. They have made their last catch for capitalist canneries. Last year a fine catch, normally worth \$30,000, realized only \$5000—less than cost. The men are taking their families with them, evidence of their intention of remaining in the Workers' Republics. Despite the fact that the Five-Year Plan quota for fishing was reached in 1930, two years ahead of time, experienced salmon fishermen are in demand at Kamchatka and Ochotsk and these men will likely serve as captains on other boats.

Soviet Posters To Be Exhibited At Stanford Campus

The Palo Alto Local of the Friends of the Soviet Union has arranged with the Stanford Art Gallery to exhibit a large group of Soviet posters during the latter half of March. In the U. S. S. R. posters played an important part in spreading the new ideas, particularly among the illiterate regions and in accelerating the tempo of work for the Five-Year Plan, with the result that this form of art became, under this impetus, more highly developed than in any country. The subjects depicted include industrialization, collectivization, emancipation of women, campaigns for the wiping out of illiteracy, anti-alcoholism and camps and summer homes for children.

Russian Grammar Has New Spelling Now Available

The appearance of Dr. Segal's "Grammar and Self-Educator" is a sorely needed relief from the antiquated Hugo's Russian Grammar and Langenscheidt's Guide to Russian. It is written with unusual clarity, aiming to assist the worker who must teach himself at home after a day's work on the job.

The "Grammar and Self-Educator" is divided into an English-Russian and Russian-English part.

Copies are obtainable through the Friends of the Soviet Union Library and Bookstore, 1179 Market St., San Francisco.

DELEGATION LEAVES APRIL 1st

To finance these delegates, each member of the F. S. U. is issuing booklets of 5c stamps which will be sold for that purpose. In this way each and every worker interested in his comrades in the Soviet Union has the opportunity of doing his bit. The delegation will leave the coast not later than April 1st.

Workers, send in your contributions, large or small, to the different district offices or to your local.

Take a booklet of stamps and get others to contribute.

F. S. U. Calendar

S. F. March 14th, 1164 Market St. Educational Feature: "Woman in the Workers' Land."

OAKLAND: Wednesday, March 16th, Machinists' Hall, 434 11th St. Report of Thomas Burns on his trip to the Soviet Union and the Developments of the 5 Year Plan.

SAN JOSE: Sunday, March 13th, 81 Post St., Union Hall, Speaker, Violet Orr.

RICHMOND: Wednesday, March 23rd, 267 12th St.

FRESNO: Wednesday, March 19th.



CALL TO GET 10,000 F. S. U. MEMBERS BY MAY 1ST.

Double Membership for the Defense of Soviet Union

Sounding a clear warning that we must double our work to build the Friends of the Soviet Union into a great mass workers' organization, Norman Tallentire, Workers' Delegate to the Soviet Union last November 7th and a member of the National Executive Committee of the F. S. U., spoke to a packed house at California Hall on Feb. 29. The enthusiastic applause of the nine hundred workers stopped his speech many times and when the call came for new members, seventy joined, proofs of the intense interest of the American proletariat in the achievements of the Soviet Union and determination to defend them. The delegate said in part:

"In the face of the coming war of intervention against the Soviet Union, we must understand that our major task, our reason for existence, is for defense of the Workers' Republics. We must understand the nature of our organization—a mass organization of

workers. Only workers will fight for workers!"

"No longer can we speak of war 'danger.' The seizure of Manchuria is an accomplished fact, a war base against the Soviets.

"We are just as much interested in the Chinese Soviets as in the

Russia. They are of the same nature, based on the same principle.

"Lenin says those who claim they are opposed to war, but want to organize after war is started, are liars and hypocrites. The time to fight is before war is declared. And that's NOW!"

BUILD A MASS F. S. U. IN UNITED STATES

"Kind sentiments won't do any good. We must organize and mobilize this sentiment into militant activity for Defense of the Soviet Union.

"One comrade complains we're bringing in so many new members that a lot will drop out. Sure, some will. Let 'em. What we want are the thousands who will stay in."

"Another fears illegality. Hell, in Czechoslovakia the F. S. U. was made illegal and in the fight for legality it grew from a small petty bourgeois outfit into a huge powerful mass workers' organization.

"Regular and serious meetings bring new valuable members. The workers don't want to fool around with anything else."

"Imperialist war stands thoroughly exposed as a slaughter of workers that capitalism may exploit other workers. It is for us to choose—either we wear Wall Street's uniform and attack our fellow-workers of China and the Soviet Union, or we organize the mighty strength of the working class for their defense by preventing American participation."

BURNS STILL TOURING CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

The chicken raisers and other farmers of Petaluma, Santa Rosa and Cotati will hear Burns on the 8th, 9th and 10th respectively. This completes his northern tour, and before starting his southern tour he will speak in the bay region for a period of two weeks. On March the 16th he will speak before the FSU in Oakland. From April the first he will be in Los Angeles and will quite probably go from there to Portland. His tour so far has been remarkably successful from an organizational point of view. Some new locals organized and many new members taken in.

Gold miners here who recently received a 10% wage cut gladly came out to hear Comrade Thomas Burn's report on his visit to the Soviet Union. Many of these miners responded to his appeal and joined the FSU which now has about two dozen in the local.

F. S. U. in San Francisco To Be Reorganized

With one hundred and seventy-five new members the San Francisco Friends of the Soviet Union is faced with the necessity of reorganization on a regional basis.

No longer will the old headquarters hold the four hundred and twenty San Francisco members. It is proposed to create Fillmore, Mission and possibly North Beach branches. More attention is to be given to home meetings as a means of recruiting new members.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE HELD IN MOSCOW, OUTLINES PLANS FOR FUTURE WORK

Delegates from 14 Countries Present Chinese Delegate Reports 72 Million Now Living in Soviet Districts

SUCCESSFUL TOUR RESULTS IN MANY NEW F. S. U. LOCALS

Workers and Farmers Eager to Hear About Five-Year Plan Will Defend Soviet Union

Ten thousand potential Friends of the Soviet Union in California are eager in the face of their own wretched conditions to learn everything they can about the Workers' Republics and the success of the Five-Year Plan. And equally ready, once they learn the truth of those achievements and realize what they mean, to defend the builders of socialism against capitalist attack.

Industrial workers, farmers, miners, even small merchants are organizing into F. S. U. locals, sometimes on their own initiative, sometimes only waiting for a speaker to come and show them the first step to take. This is the situation shown by experiences and results of a ten-day speaking tour recently completed by Comrade Violet Orr.

MANY NEW LOCALS FORMED

In the north, not only was the Sacramento local strengthened with activity and new members, but new locals were formed in Jackson, who are now working to get their meeting place and in Chico where one comrade gathered some more around him and packed the high school auditorium with eight hundred people who came to learn about collectivized farming and the Soviet Union. In Red Bluff an active committee is securing members to start a local.

The southern leg of the trip was intended only for the Los Angeles branches, but en route a two day stop at Fresno resulted in the formation of a strong local that has more than doubled its original membership of twelve in three weeks. Further south, new locals were organized in Pasadena and San Diego. This proves the desire of workers to organize into groups to study about the Soviet system of construction and spread the truth about it to others, as well as their expressed determination to build that organization to a strength that can successfully defend the achievements and the workers of the U. S. S. R.

CHINESE SOVIETS GROWING

Tremendous enthusiasm greeted the Chinese Delegate when he reported that at that time, Nov. 7th last, 72,000,000 Chinese were living under Chinese Soviets. The report stated that these Soviet districts covered the better part of the four provinces of Hunan, Hupeh, Anhwei and Kiangsi. This means a territory the size of California, Oregon and Washington. Great enthusiasm is evident in the large industrial centers for defense of not only these Soviets, but the Soviet Union as well and the successes of the Chinese Red Armies has brought millions more to the movement.

The American delegation on leaving the Soviet Union pledged the Russian workers, 10,000 new Friends of the Soviet Union by May 1st, one hundred factory F. S. U. groups and a delegation of 50 American workers from shop and bench, this year.

JAPAN—The Japanese F. S. U. has just started publishing a national magazine entitled "Friends of Russia." Some of the first copies of this magazine have been received here in America and its quality is typical of the fine piece of work this national section of the F. S. U. is doing in one of the chief danger spots to the Soviet Union. The San Francisco office is expecting a bundle order of the second number for distribution among Japanese Friends of the S. U. living in California.

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NEW YORK CITY—2000 new members by March 15th! 24 branches in places of the previous.

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CLEVELAND—Setting out to be a district by organizing meetings in 30 surrounding towns and cities. 1000 new subscriptions for "Soviet Russia Today" is their goal.

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CHICAGO—Like San Francisco, Chicago is organizing a tool party at which admission is to be a hand tool which will be sent to the Seattle Commune in the northern Caucasus region of the Soviet Union.

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LOS ANGELES—F. S. U. has suffered at the hands of the infamous Red Squad of which Hines is the notorious chief. Despite this fascist attempt to terrorize the local comrades they have succeeded in developing a type of organization that outwits him and his squad. 5,000 copies of "Soviet Russia Today" were ordered by Secretary Rosenfeld immediately upon his release from the Long Beach jail.

FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION,
1179 Market Street, Room 603,
San Francisco, Calif.

Date.....

Dear Comrades:

I would like to make application to join the Friends of the Soviet Union.

Name.....

Address.....

City..... State.....



LEFT: Workers of U. S. A. evicted from their home. Thrown on the streets with their few miserable belongings by vicious landlords.
RIGHT: Magnificent new workers' apartment house in the land where workers rule—the Soviet Union.

Living Standards to Rise Threecold in 2nd Five-Year Plan

ALL CLASSES AND THEIR CAUSES TO BE ABOLISHED

Whole Population To Be Transformed Into Conscious Builders of Socialist Society.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., March 6.—Beginning the next step which will completely uproot the few remnants of capitalism in the U. S. S. R., the workers and peasants are swinging into the Second Five-Year Plan with far greater enthusiasm and punch than that which characterized the start of the First Five-Year Plan.

The plan of work for the second period of economic and industrial development in the Workers' Republic, as announced by the Seventeenth Conference of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, will not only more than double living standards, but will mark the complete stamping out of classes and all capitalist elements in the minds of the workers, as well as in their economic life.

Complete collectivization and technical reconstruction of the farms as well as solving of the drought problem will mark the completion of the plan, under which the Soviet Union will take first place in European industrial development.

The plan will cover the period 1932-37 inclusive.

Completion of the First Five-Year Plan, which had as its basic task the industrialization of the U.S.S.R., placing of heavy industry on a firm footing and development of light industry and food production, laid a foundation for the complete reconstruction of the country's economic structure which will be achieved under the plan just announced.

Included in the program will be a three-fold increase in production in the machine-building industry which will play a leading role in the plan. New power bases are to be constructed, to supply electrical energy for the electrification of transport and industry and for the farms.

Coal production is to be boosted and in the iron and steel industry completely reorganized. In the chemical industry a general raising of production will take place to supply chemicals and fertilizers for the farms.

The plan calls for the building of thousands of miles of new rail-



RED GERMANY IS PRIME ISSUE IN COMING ELECTIONS

Thousands Join Communist Party

BERLIN, March 5.—A Soviet German will be the main issue at the presidential election, March 13!

The Communist Party, with Ernst Thaelmann as its candidate, is the only party entering the present

railroad trackage and adoption of larger locomotives and other improvements in rail transportation.

Water transport is to be improved with the reorganization of sea and river fleets and the development of waterways.

Road building and automobile transportation and all modes of communication, especially radio, are to be further developed.

Upon publication of the thesis for the Second Five-Year plan workers throughout the Soviet Union called meetings and in enthusiastic discussions suggestions were made for the carrying out of the program in a short period of time as possible.

election with a clear-cut program; repudiation of all debts which have impoverished the German working class; war debts, international loans, taxation by the German industrialists and landlords, and for the overthrow of the capitalist system.

All of the capitalist class candidates have essentially the same program; the patching and saving of capitalism at the expense of the working class. Hitler, fascist candidate, boasts of his intention to forcibly outlaw all trade unions and other workers' organizations, the extermination of all Communist sympathizers, and other terrorist measures.

The Social Democratic Party, betrayers of the working class since the outbreak of the world war, is supporting President von Hindenburg, chosen candidate of the extreme Monarchs and big industrialists.

In no political campaign in the past has the clear open class character of the fight been so plainly revealed as at the present election.

The outstanding feature of the campaign is that the class antagonisms are more marked than at any time in the past. Tens of thousands of new members have joined the Com-

Thirty Thousand Chinese Workers Demonstrate

A Chinese correspondent writes from Shanghai: "The mass demonstration in commemoration of the revolutionary students who were slaughtered by the Kuo Min Tang ended with the meeting of thirty thousand marching through the French and British Concessions shouting 'Down with Imperialism!' 'Down with the Kuo Min Tang!' 'Support the Soviet Provisional government, support the Red Army of China and support the Soviet Union!' 'Long live the emancipation of the Chinese working class!' When marching through the International Settlement, police forces of the imperialist countries there broke up the parade after a long struggle.

This is but one of the many proletarian demonstrations in Shanghai against the imperialist war.

Communist Party during the past few months, in preparation for the final struggle.

sub-sub-committees. The chairman ordered that two bales of resolutions be deposited in the room marked 'Men.'

DISARMAMENT--AND HOW

By STEPHEN PEACOCK

The International Disarmament Conference, better known as the "Peace" Conference, got off to a hilarious start at Geneva, Switzerland, last month. They have just concluded distribution of the pieces.

Most of the delegates arrived in tanks or armored cars. The French delegation came in an armored train, while the Japanese delegation was dropped from a bombing plane, and landed gracefully on the roof, attached to a parachute. His otherwise immaculate appearance was somewhat marred by a couple of bullet holes in his silk hat, received while visiting Shanghai.

DELEGATES PARK THEIR GATS

The delegates were greeted with salvos of cannon fire, as they marched into the hall. The conference was loaded with statues and busts of generals and the walls were frescoed with paintings of famous battles. There was an exhibition of latest styles in battleships, machine-guns and war chemicals. Representatives of the steel, powder and chemical industries were on hand to take orders, guaranteeing prompt delivery. Gas masks were provided for delegates as well as a special room where they could park their gats.

RESOLUTIONS PUT TO GOOD USE

Proceedings were delayed while 500 men brought in 50 carloads of documents of resolutions passed at previous Conferences and accumulated through the activities of the 98,000 committees, sub-committees,



SCATTER FLOWERS ON CHAPEI

After lunch they got down to business. They put the Japanese delegate on the carpet. This oily gentleman was pregnant with explanations for everything, as Mr. Brisbane. There was no war in China, he said; the Japanese troops were only waiting for a street car. Japanese planes were not intentionally bombing helpless workers and peasants; they intended throwing chocolates and candies but pulled the wrong lever. They were not butchering defenseless non-combatant; they were only playing "Run, Sheepie, Run."

WORKERS' DELEGATES

These explanations were accepted by everyone except the Soviet delegate Litvinoff. The latter scolded the Japanese policy, and astonished the gathering by insisting that the only way to disarm was to disarm. "Bolshevik propaganda!" shouted the delegates. While Litvinoff spoke diplomatically, in French and English, and addressed the delegates as "gentlemen," here is how his speech would have sounded in Russian: "Thugs, thieves, liars and cut-throats: You are planning another world slaughter and destruction of the Soviet Union, using this Conference as a smoke-screen for that purpose. If you start another world war, it will be just too bad. The workers and the farmers of the world will turn on you and tear you to pieces."

"DANGEROUS" EXPLOSIVES AND ARMS BANNED

The following are the concrete achievements of the "piece" conference:

- They passed 489 resolutions and appointed 2500 additional committees.
- All warships floated during the period embracing 1776 and 1865 were to be immediately and unconditionally scrapped.
- Absolutely forbid the use of bows and arrows, bean-blowers, sling-shots, paper-wads and stink bombs.

This is an attempt to explain the enormous growth of the Communist Party in Uruguay by the stupid myth of "Moscow Gold," and divert attention from the starving condition of the Uruguayan workers, which is the real cause of their growing militancy.

FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

160,000 Canadian Workers Demand Communist Party Be Made Legal

TORONTO, March 3.—The recent action of the Canadian courts, making the Communist Party illegal, has roused the Canadian workers to vigorous protest. The party became illegal when the Supreme Court of the province of Ontario dismissed the appeal of eight workers who were convicted and sentenced for being members of the Communist party.

This action was met with immediate organized protest from all parts of the country. The Canadian government has received demands that the party immediately be re-granted its legal status from 700 organizations representing over 160,000 workers. Over 60,000 additional protests were sent. Canadian workers are mobilizing to fight this vicious anti-labor action.

British Labor Government Arrests Thousands in India

NEW DELHI, India, March 4.—Government reports place the number of convictions for civil disobedience since the first of the year at 12,000 and admit a total of 3,000 arrests under the emergency power ordinances which were put into effect on the removal of the civil disobedience campaign. These government figures, high though they seem, give no idea of the enormous number of arrests being made daily by the government in an attempt to stamp out the protest and revolt of the Indian masses against the traitorous policies of the British Labor government, the Indian National Congress and Gandhi.

Communist Increases Vote in Bulgaria

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Mar. 3.—The strength of the Bulgarian Communist Party was shown in the election returns for county councilors in 1,250 Bulgarian communities. Thirteen and one-half per cent of the votes were polled for Communist candidates. The growth of the Communist vote was accompanied by a definite falling off of the Social Democratic vote.

Every attempt to throttle the advance of the Party in Bulgaria is being made by the ruling class. Masses of peasants who would vote Communist have been driven off their land as a result of the grain crisis in Central Europe and have been disfranchised. In addition to this, a fierce police terror is in effect against all militant workers and peasants.

Uruguay Bosses Try to Explain Starvation of Workers

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, March 2.—Acting on orders from the government, the Montevideo police raided the headquarters of the Soviet trading agency, Yzamorg. The purpose of this "investigation" as it is called by government authorities, was to discover whether "Moscow" had sent instructions and money through the trading organization to assist in organizing Communist movements in Uruguay.

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Unemployment Growing in France

PARIS, France, March 4.—Efforts of the French government to falsify unemployment figures have become more and more devious. Official figures place the dole-drawing unemployed at 72,000, but even unofficial capitalist estimates put the total jobless at 250,000. This means that the figures must again be multiplied several times to reach a correct estimate of the situation.

The closing of a large number of relief organizations have made it impossible to get accurate figures on unemployment. The policy of the French government in baring out figures on part time employment is another ruse to cover up facts. France has a greater number of part-time workers who must exist on miserable below-starvation wages than any other country.

Marines Kill Four Nicaragua Workers

NICARAGUA, March 1.—Four native Nicaraguans were killed by the Nicaraguan National Guard under the command of Lieutenant Donald L. Trudeau of the United States Marines. American Marines who have been responsible for the death of so many thousands of Nicaraguan workers continue to police the country in order to protect American business interests.

Hungarian Peasants Refuse to Be Driven Off Their Land

BUDAPEST, Hungary, March 2.—An organized attack against sheriffs, who had come to confiscate their live stock for back taxes, was made by the peasants of the Pisca region. These starving peasants were determined not to meet a similar fate to that of the thousands of Hungarian peasants who have already been driven off the land and are roving the country in bands.

Two peasants were killed and fifty were wounded in the struggle. Troops were dispatched by the government as further resistance is expected.

Brazilian Workers and Peasants Fight Against Starvation

BUENOS AIRES, March 5.—Brazilian workers and peasants have been driven to armed revolt in the towns of Porto Alegre and Sao Paulo. Due to the fall in the price of coffee to the lowest point in the history of the country, the Brazilian masses have been pauperized, and are facing starvation and death.

Revolutionary uprisings throughout the entire country have culminated in this action.

5000 Canadian Workers Hunger March in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 1.—A hunger march of over 5,000 workers, held in Vancouver, B. C., was the first of the protest demonstrations held against the new wage cutting drive recently instituted by the Canadian bosses.

7,000 union railway workers of the Canadian Pacific have been forced to "accept" a 10% wage cut, as a result of the sell-out tactics of the labor leaders who made this agreement with the owners.

Telephone workers all over Canada will also be forced to work at reduced wages. This action of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada affects tens of thousands of workers who are already working at a minimum wage.

Starving English Workers Storm City Hall

BRISTOL, England, March 1.—An attempt to storm the Bristol City Hall was made by a large group of unemployed workers while a discussion of unemployment was being carried on by the members of the city council. The starving workers, who could no longer be misled by the lying promises of the city bosses, were met with police clubs, and over fifty of them, including many women, were seriously injured.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND THE WESTERN WORKERS

By Langaw-Kalaban

The events in China have again confirmed what the Communist International has said for many years: that only a Soviet China can free that nation from imperialist invaders. After vacillating and hesitating for many weeks, the Kuomintang government, torn and confused by its many loyalties and debts to foreign imperialists at last was forced by the pressure of mass sentiment to oppose the Japanese.

Even these traitors waited until after Japanese imperialists had taken all of Manchuria. The Nationalist lackeys of U. S. imperialism hoped that favor by Wall Street of a Chinese boycott of Japanese goods would protect their cowardly hides from attack. For this reason they waited until Japanese troops were shelling the people of the Chinese city of Shanghai, where the boycott was in force. The U. S. government, itself torn by the contradictions of its position floundered about with diplomatic notes sending them where it thought it could make the most profit for finance capital.

JOIN THE COMMUNIST PARTY!

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HOARDING—A NEW EXCUSE FOR THE CRISIS

Finally it was found that Japan bought more from the U. S., especially cotton, than it bought from any country in the world. That reduced U. S. State Department indignation to "moral pressure." Then Japan ordered a few shiploads of munitions from American manufacturers and the pressure of capitalist "morality" was even further reduced. In the meantime the Chinese people, misled, betrayed and made helpless by the Canton and Nanking cliques and their imperialist allies, are being mowed down in tens of thousands.

There is one bright spot in this scene of devastation—that is the growth of the young Central Soviet Government of China. It is said that this now includes 100,000,000 people.

SOVIET CHINA OR DEATH

Therein lies the salvation of the Chinese people—the victory of

the U. S. can put the figure so high.

THE CAPITALIST WAY OUT

But election time is coming. And Hoover is showing great activity "against the depression." His activity consists chiefly of finding a capitalist way out of the crisis.

One factor has already aided him in this—the war for the partition of China. Last week a small jump upwards was recorded on the stock market. On the same day it was announced that the Remington and Colt munitions factories were re-opening with large forces of men.

The officials of the company gave tacit acknowledgment that they were working on ammunitions and arms orders from Japan and China. The port of Los Angeles officials announced that on February 21 they began shipment of a million bales of cotton, of the quality used for explosives to Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai.

Mr. Hoover immediately announced the "end of the depression." Business was "booming" in the good old capitalist way—to the staccato tune which makes for fields of dead and rivers of blood of the best workers and peasants.

BILLIONS FOR THE RICH

Mr. Hoover thought to strike while the iron was hot. And so immediately had passed the bills to allow the big corporations several hundred millions of dollars for "finance reconstruction." This is simply a donation to the finance capitalists out of the pockets of the people to help them recoup their profits. This donation was made despite the fact that the budget deficit has already reached 1½ billions of dollars and will according to official estimates reach 3 billions dollars before the fiscal year is over. This huge steal came in the face of the refusal of the

Senate to pass even the meager crumbs to the unemployed provided for in the La Follette-Costigan Bill, because it would "bulldoze" the rugged individualism of the American people.

But the gentry who bury their money in tin cans or sew it up in the mattress may not be easily reached by appeals to reason. If they were open to reason they would not be keeping their money in such unsafe deposits.

Has anyone ever seen such hypocrisy?

THE ELECTIONS AND THE CHINESE

American newspapers are pretending to be shocked at the treatment of Chinese by the Japanese. The facts are shocking indeed! But are the U. S. imperialists any better than the Japanese? In the California election laws which are now operative there occurs the following section in the political code:

No native of China, no idiot, insane person or person convicted of any infamous crime, and no person hereafter convicted of embezzlement or misappropriation of public money, shall ever exercise the privilege of elector.

With such "friends" of the Chinese people the traitorous Nationalist government is making alliances. The revolutionary workers and farmers of California can in the coming election deal a big blow to the vile barbaric attitude of U. S. jingoes who are responsible for classifying "Chinese" with "idiots, insane" or infamously criminal.

Many millions of people who in unparalleled heroic struggles have won the rights to organize in Soviets in China are proving that they understand, far better than many

to the misery of the masses is of but little concern to the thieves who are ruling the country.

And in the face of these facts, the Chronicle has the gall to declare in its editorial:

The kind of people who bury their money in tin cans or sew it up in the mattress may not be easily reached by appeals to reason. If they were open to reason they would not be

**AEE TRAIN CREWS
MUTINED IN 1919
ATTACK ON U.S.S.R.**

Ex-Service Man Tells About
Lies Used by Officers To
Send Soldiers Against
Soviets

PALO ALTO, Calif., March 7.—I write to you as an ex-service man. I hope that what I have to say will stimulate other ex-soldiers to send their experiences in America's Siberia crusade against the Workers and Farmers government in Soviet Russia.

In early spring of 1919, an expedition of A. E. F. railway men were taken from all the railroad outposts in France and sent under British command at Archangel and Murmansk. They lied to us and said we were to operate trains for the purpose of removing Americans from that part of Russia and that the Bolsheviks had made it impossible for them to get out otherwise. It was for that purpose, they claimed, they wanted some volunteers.

**MUTINY OF FRENCH AND
AMERICAN ARMIES**

A large number volunteered but only a few were taken from each company. When they arrived in Russia they found conditions had been misrepresented to them and that they were supposed to operate trains to fight the Russians. There was mutiny in sections of the American army! Two French cruisers also mutinied against this capitalist attack upon the Soviet Union.

TO DEFEND WORKERS

Today, on a more extensive scale than the above maneuver, the imperialist powers, using the Japanese invasion of Shanghai as a spearhead, are taking their first deadly steps toward a war upon the Soviet Union. But the workers know whose interests to defend! The reign of the capitalist class is about over. We must defend the one-sixth of the earth's surface which is already in our hands and organize to take the rest!

—EX-SOLDIER.

WORKERS CORRESPONDENCE

Scabs Attempt Drive Through Lines—Strikers Smash Glass

NEGRO WORKER CALLS TO FORM L.S.N.R. BRANCH

OREGON RELIEF PLAN TO CRUSH WESTERN FARMERS

Dever's Scheme, If Accepted,
Will Narrow Market For
Farmers' Products

Ready to Organize

Unemployed Council's Demand
For Insurance to Make
Capitalists Pay

ASTORIA, Oregon, March 4.—J. C. Devers, State Highway Attorney, and head of Gov. Meier's County Unemployment Committee, plans to solve the unemployment problem by letting the starving workers borrow the use of all vacant lots and farms to raise their own food.

Devers acknowledges a tremendous growth of unemployment throughout Oregon, and believes something "practical" must be done for next winter or there will be worse starvation than ever before. If the unemployed are allowed to cultivate the vacant lots, and if wealthy citizens will lend the workers tools and seeds, Oregon will be able to take care of next winter's hungry—or so Devers advocates.

WILL HIT FARMERS

This is just another capitalist plan to keep the jobless at as low a standard of living as possible. It means the farmers who are already supplying the food market will be further robbed of their market. The farmers who are being crushed by the inability of city workers to buy food will be completely ruined.

The idea of all capitalist "solutions" to the crisis is a shifting of the burden onto the workers and farmers. Wall Street wants a war to slaughter the unemployed. Hoover gives \$2,000,000,000 to unemployed bankers and railroads. Hearst wants a \$5,000,000 government loan to be turned over to rich contractors for the purpose of exploiting workers at starvation wages. Devers' wants the farmers to suffer more so the city workers can eat. All capitalist schemes attack the living standards of the working class, and add to the profits of the parasite class.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FEARED BY THE BOSSSES

In fact any scheme that the capitalists hatch out, and which the capitalist press broadcasts will do, just so it is not Unemployment Insurance.

Unemployment Insurance that can be forced from the bosses by all workers out of a job joining the Unemployed Councils is the only way to make the bosses pay for the miserable mess they got us into. Make them pay by getting signatures on petitions for the Unemployment Insurance Bill, by getting your union and lodge to demand unemployment insurance from the government, by joining the Unemployed Council. Mass organization and mass pressure alone will get us "work or wages." Demand that all funds go to the unemployed; not a cent for armaments and war maneuvers.

SAN FRANCISCO ANTI-Olympic COMMITTEE CALLS SPORTS CONFERENCE

Oakland comrades began their Anti Olympic work with worthy results. A social affair was held with more than a hundred young workers present. After explaining the Anti-Olympic campaign and the necessity for organizing workers' sports groups, more than 40 young workers signed up for a club of young workers' sportsmen. Nine basketball teams are expected to be formed. How about the other districts of the Y.C.L. like Seattle and Denver? Why keep your anti-imperialist activities a secret? How about letting us learn some of your experiences through the "With the Young Workers" columns in the Western Worker?

With the Young Workers

Breaking the tape first out of a field of seventeen young workers, Tony Marcus, of the North Beach Unemployed Council, won the San Francisco Tom Mooney Street Run. The Run, sponsored by the San Francisco Provisional Counter Olympic Committee is the first of many sports events being held to combat the boss-controlled Olympics taking place in Los Angeles this coming July. Marcus covered the one and three-fifths miles from the Embarcadero to the Civic Center in nine minutes and thirty-three seconds, followed by Frank Martin, second, George Sala, third, and Alphonse Morales, fourth. Unlike the street runs put on by bourgeois papers here from time to time with large entry lists, most of whom do not run, fewer of whom finish, seventy-five per cent of the entrants ran and they all finished. These workers were running for a purpose and the signs "Free Tom Mooney" on their backs brought cheers from the onlookers along the way.

YOUTH COMMUNIST RE- CRUITING DRIVE IS ON

The two weeks up to February 15 mark a slow but sure start of the recruiting drive of the Young Communist League, California District. The League has recruited 26 new members, a little over 20% of its 3 month quota. Of these, 4 are negro workers. Considering the existing war problem in the Far East, and the growing struggle of the unemployed youth for relief, this gain is absolutely insignificant.

LOS ANGELES SECTION LEADS IN THE DRIVE

Los Angeles is still leading in the drive by a small margin. But this is not due to any real good work. The comrades there must follow up with all their power the building of a shop unit in the Good-year factory and to recruit among the chemical and oil workers.

In San Francisco, the Fillmore units lead the city by the recruiting of 4 or more members, including one Chinese and one Filipino. The other units are going very slowly in the drive. No account for other sections or units, as most of them failed to send in reports.

SAN JOSE STARTS ANTI- OLYMPIC CAMPAIGN

San Jose gives us news that they will do their share in the Anti-



Flop House Dweller Tells Story of Misery

Unsanitary Floors, Rotten Stews, Lousy Beds, Disease San Jose Workers to Deserve Protection

SAN JOSE, March 11.—This San Jose flop-house and community kitchen is a typical festering boll of capitalism that promises its early death. After a worker has been forced to live twenty-four hours in this disease infested hole—living on the miserable subsistence that the parasites dole out—he is ready to fight for better conditions.

The address of this place is 575 West San Fernando Street. The food is beans and stews, often the stew is too rotten to eat and smells of coal oil. The half-cooked mush in the morning is usually without sugar. The same broom that we use to sweep the floor we must use to sweep off the twelve-inch wide shelves (no chairs or tables) from which the workers eat. The stew is made from leavings of other restaurants. One worker says, "Sometimes I can eat it and sometimes as hungry as I am, I have to spit it out."

SHANKS STEALS DONATED FOOD

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UNSANITARY LIVING QUARTERS

Anyone who stays at the above place will be broken down morally and physically. Many of the workers have colds, and under the strain of "Hoover Prosperity" their throat and lung tissue often breaks down, necessitating hacking and spitting. As a consequence the floor is pretty bad. It is swept over, but usually remains damp.

One worker, protesting against eating out of the bowls like an animal, in a fit of temper threw his bowl on the floor. He was arrested and sentenced to fifty days in the bosses' jail.

SLEEPING CONDITIONS

Any worker who comes here for a lousy cot must deposit his hat, coat and shoes as security. In the morning he must try to get his belongings from the heap, as there is no checking system. Often he loses what few miserable belongings he has.

POISON GAS USED

For some time it was a mystery why we awoke in the morning with violent pains, or why we were kept awake with splitting headaches.

The workers blamed the food first, claiming it was rotten.

Then we found that the blankets were fumigated with "hydrocyanic" acid, a deadly gas. One whiff will kill. When the blankets are fumigated, some of this gas clings to them. The workers at night, suffering from cold, will often put their heads under the fumigated blankets and get sick.

This gas smells like bitter almonds. It was used by the French and British forces in the war. One whiff immediately paralyzes the nervous system. Soldiers who had a taste of this gas never fully recovered. Some of them are still invalids as a result of the exposure of 1918.

MEXICAN, FILIPINO, AMERICAN, SPANISH, NEGRO WORKERS ARE BEING FORCED TO SUFFER TOGETHER

And they are learning to fight and co-operate together against the bosses. Many of these workers belong to the Unemployed Councils and are organizing the others against these miserably bad conditions.

SCHEDULED GAMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Sunday, March 6th at Hamilton Park, Post and Steiner Sts., 10 a.m. Finnish Workers Club vs International Workers Order.

At 7th and Harrison at 10 a.m. Workers Sports Club vs Filipino Workers and Unemployed Council down town vs Unemployed Council North Beach.

Wednesday, March 9th, 8 p.m., at San Francisco Junior High School, Unemployed Council North Beach team 1 and the International Workers Order; the Unemployed Council won by 1 point. 21-20.

On Sunday, February 28th, 2 games were played at 7th and Harrison playground.

Chinese Youth Club vs Filipino Workers.

Chinese Youth Club vs Unemployed Council down town 12-21.

Both games were lost by the Chinese Youth Club.

Workers Sports Club vs Chinese Youth Club.

These gun thugs receive \$5 per day to be ready to shoot down workers protesting against \$2.70 a day.

The emancipation of the working class must be accomplished by the workers themselves. Join the Communist Party.

—Worker Correspondent.

WILSON'S SCABS QUIT WHEN WIND- SHIELDS SMASH

Mass Support of Workers
Defeats Attempt to Open
At \$1.75

ABERDEEN, Wash., March 5.—Wilson Brothers have made their third attempt to open their mill with a minimum wage of \$1.75. The National Lumber Workers Union and the Unemployed Council have succeeded in pointing out to the workers that to accept this low wage is to set an example for other bosses to cut the living standard of all workers in this district. As a result the mill has been forced to close for the third time.

POLICE ADVISES SCABS TO RUN OVER PICKETS

Seabs, in cars, attempting to get into the mill, were stopped by pickets. The Chief of Police advised them to back up and run through the line. Two of the pickets were knocked down and bruised severely.

STONES BREAK WINDSHIELDS

The pickets threw rocks, and broke the windshields and side glass that cost from \$5 to \$8 to replace.

This was too much for a seab who was stopped by a picket.

Wilson Brothers and the scabherding Chamber of Commerce then asked for an injunction, and appealed to the governor for the militia. Both were refused.

TRY TO ARM SCABS

The next maneuvers of the bosses were to attempt to arm the scabs. They asked the county judge what the results would be if some of the pickets were shot. The judge sized up the mass disapproval of the workers and their militancy in fighting this vicious attack on their living standards, and told Wilson Brothers that they would be held responsible for acts of violence the same as anyone else.

The Chamber of Commerce made an appeal to the workers through their Welfare Society, claiming that the opening of the mill was an act of charity to relieve the unemployed. They also admitted that this mill is an antiquated pile of junk. As there are plenty of up-to-date mills on the harbor which are not being opened, it is immediately clear to all workers that the relief is not for the workers but for the Wilson Brothers. These bosses who can't compete with their obsolete mills are using the corrupt Welfare Society to get rich.

Follow workers, what right have our bosses to appropriate our miserable wages for their pet schemes.

First of all, every worker should know what the symptoms are. If some one very often has "colds" which last two to three weeks, it is well to look into the matter.

This is very important because, at the present time, if treated when the disease starts, we can reach complete healing in 90% of the cases.

Little chills in the afternoon, even slight sweating at night, lack of appetite; these together are early signs that no one should neglect.

DENVER COMPANY STEALS \$25 FROM EACH EMPLOYEE

Force Workers to Turn Over Part of Wages to Fake Relief Scheme of Mayor

DENVER, Colo., March 10.—The Denver Water Works Company handed out cards to each employee to be signed, authorizing the Denver Water Department to deduct the amount of \$25 from the workers' wages at the rate of \$5 a month. \$20 of this amount is to go to the Mayor's fake Citizens Relief Committee, and \$5 to the Community Chest.

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CHIEFLY A WORKING CLASS DISEASE

T. B. is a workers' disease. I do not need to explain why, and if not for the workers' halfway successful fight in bettering their conditions, we physicians could not get those fairly good results that we have now in fighting this disease.

Better conditions in the factory, shorter working hours, more recreation in the open air, better housing, good plain food; all these mean less tuberculosis. I am sure in a collective society T. B. will disappear.

If the worker will not fight for better conditions, medical science cannot stamp out tuberculosis.

Rest, nourishing food and fresh air are the three most important medicines in the treatment of tuberculosis and these are the three things which the workers in general do not have.

CANNOT BE INHERITED

Many people, even physicians, still believe that tuberculosis can be inherited. This conception is wrong.

The reason there are tubercular children in a tubercular family, is because the parents,

through the disease, have weakened their constitution and bear children with less resistance to it.

And if these children stay in the same environment, naturally they have more chance to contract tuberculosis.

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF SICKNESS

First of all, I wish to call the attention of workers in the city to the so-called Health Departments.

In the larger cities there are places for special tuberculosis patients.

I mention those places first because even though they are not perfect,

at least they give honest advice,

and as far as possible the best treatment they can.

Most of the later institutions have attending physicians who are specialists.

Those who still have a few dollars in their pockets can get help from private physicians.

But as I said before, rest, nourishing food, open air—these should be the basis of any kind of treatment; medication is only a secondary matter.

Anybody who attends any member of his family who suffers from tuberculosis, should never eat, never put his hand to his mouth or his nose before washing them thoroughly.

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Tuna Fishermen Strike in San Pedro

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leaders to get any concessions through arbitration and court action, the canneries will further beat down the living standard of the workers.

At a general meeting of the fishermen's union at which approximately 450 workers were present, a representative of the T. U. U. L. attempted to speak. True to A. F. of L. tactics the chairman refused to permit the representative to speak. The workers protested and forced the chairman to allow ten minutes during which the program of the T. U. U. L. was explained. The "sell-out" that the present strike leaders are planning was exposed.

The strike will be won, provided the fishermen repudiate the right-wing A. F. of L. mis-leaders. Rank and file strike committees must be formed to make all decisions and maintain a militant mass picket of all canneries.

The Marine Workers Industrial Union has pledged its support to the rank and file of the strikers against the bosses and the present boss-controlled union leaders.

400 Workers Pack Berkeley Hall for W. I. R. Program

BERKELEY, Calif., March 1.—An unusually large and enthusiastic crowd of over four hundred workers was present at the entertainment given by the Oakland Branch of the Workers International Relief at the Berkeley Finnish Hall, on Saturday, February 27th. This program was given for the benefit of the striking Kentucky miners and the Children's Camp.

An excellent program was presented, consisting of musical numbers by three different choruses, several individual solos, and a play, entitled "Help the Miners."

In connection with the play a collection was taken for the striking Kentucky miners.

The Workers' International Relief in the East Bay Section is now concluding a drive for clothing and bedding for the miners. Anyone having contributions should get in touch with the Oakland Branch of the W. I. R., 716 Market Street.

The Workers of the World Have Only One Fatherland, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

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The Finnish Workers on the Pacific Coast are engaged in a \$5000 drive for the Western Worker. Report of their standing follow:

CLUB	Quota	Amt. Raised	CLUB	Quota	Amt. Raised
Portland	43.16	43.16	Astoria	47.31	18.30
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Kalama	9.96	5.00	Seattle	33.20	33.20
Woodland	19.92	2.50			
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Kelso, Wash.	15.77	15.77	Winlock, Women's	0.00	5.00

The quota for the Finnish Workers Clubs in California totals \$220,08 of which \$133.86 has been raised.

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FREE PICNIC TICKETS

Beginning today a ticket to the Picnic and Labor Sports Field Day, on April 17th at East Shore Park, Richmond, will be given free to every new yearly subscriber in the Bay Cities.

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Western Worker Editor Smashes Prosecution Lies

De Vries, the latter, forced to the wall by Gallagher's merciless exposure of the prosecution's methods, shouted, "I know we have no precedent of this case—but I will make a precedent—we will make the law." Mr. Gallagher then concluded his argument by pointing out that the workers were justified in saying that there was no justice in courts for them when laws are changed and their interpretation twisted from time to time as suited the interests of the bosses.

It was after presiding Judge Charles D. Wallace denied Gallagher's motion that Comrade Darcy took the stand.

"READS COMMUNIST LITERATURE"

In his first day's testimony, Darcy read the Program of the Communist International, Why Every Worker Should Join the Communist Party, and excerpts from Lenin's State and Revolution, and the platform of immediate demands in California, in order to properly present the Communist position as to how and why the working class and poor farmers should and could overthrow the profit system and its capitalist government and establish in its place a workers' and farmers' government, such as exists in the Soviet Union, which will build Socialism in the U. S.

"SECOND DAY"

In his second day's testimony Darcy read from Lenin's Leftism—An Infantile Sickness, and from the booklet by Lenin Preparing for Revolt. Also he read several statements issued by the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the U. S. A. as well as of Germany, which clarified many questions concerning the Communist program as to terror, etc. On examination of Attorney Gallagher, there were read in court the constitutions and programs of the International Labor Defense, Trade Union Unity League and Friends of the Soviet Union in order to expose the testimony of the "state experts" as to the nature and purpose of these organizations. The difference between the Trade Union Unity League and the A. F. L. was pointed out by describing their different attitudes as to wage cuts, unemployment, war, and class collaboration. The afternoon of the second day was spent in going over the outstanding facts of the improving situation in the Soviet Union in contrast to the growing crisis in the U. S. With detailed statistics Darcy proved that the crisis was not solvable under capitalism. Especially were such questions explained as were introduced by state witnesses that "only Communists vote in Russia—all others are exiled," liberty for workers in the U. S. S. R. and rights only for capitalists in the U. S. A., marital laws in the Soviet Union, etc.

POLICE BRUTALITY"

Simply but graphically Darcy told the story of the terrible brutality during the imprisonment. Limiting himself to what he actually saw, he described the conditions of the Japanese Comrade Kukunagi, who was tortured by having his arms twisted and his breath cut off, the driving into temporary insanity of the worker Comrade Golland, a father of ten children; of his own beating by the Red Squad in the detective bureau; of the frightful beating given to the ex-serviceman Comrade Deane, who told the officers he could not give them any address (because he had no home and slept anywhere he could find a place); of the insults, swearing, threats, not only to defendants but to attorney Gallagher and others.

CROSS EXAMINATION DEFEATS ITSELF

Cross examination began on the end of the second day. The prosecution tried to prove that the Communist Party is a conspiratorial organization. The defense answered that it is an open and above board organization except insofar as it is necessary to protect its members and sympathizers from outrageous police persecution such as exists in Southern California. To questions aiming to prove "conspiracy" to "foment" revolution, the defense pointed out that while Communists base themselves on winning the majority of toilers, the bosses organize conspiracies of generals, thugs, fascists, etc., against workers. The examples of the counter-revolutions in Russia and similar instances were brought out. Prosecutor De Vries tried to stop Darcy while he was replying by appealing to the judge that "the witness is making speeches, not answering questions." The judge ruled that he would have to let the witness answer as he sees fit, since the questions were of sociological and historical nature and could not be answered by "yes" or "no." On cross examination it was brought out that in the U. S. democracy is a fraud—that large numbers of Negroes have been deprived of the right to vote, that graft, corruption, and where these fail terror and unseating of working class represen-

tatives, has been practiced in order to stifle working class militancy.

TURN COURT INTO CLASS IN THEORY

It was at this point that the prosecution suddenly quit its cross examination. On redirect examination, Mr. Gallagher called upon the witness to read the various exhibits introduced by the prosecution and explain each one. The first exhibit now being read was "Elements of Political Education."

ADJOURNMENT FOR SEVERAL DAYS

During the noon recess one of the jurors asked to be released for several days due to sickness. The judge then postponed the trial until March 7.

In the meantime 12 defendants have spent over six weeks in jail on enormous bail totaling about \$25,000. The defendants have been made to travel 30 miles back and forth between Los Angeles and Long Beach each day. Great expense has been involved. The International Labor Defense, District 14, 120 Winston Street, Los Angeles, which is handling the defense, again appeals to all who can to send donations and loan bail for the duration of this fight to establish the right of militant workers to free speech and assemblage, and win the right of the Communist Party to legal existence.

The court is continually jammed to capacity, many of those present sitting two in a seat. There is a continual line of people standing in the hallway, three abreast, listening through open doors and waiting their turn should a seat become available. Every few hours the bailiffs clear several rows in the hallway to occupy seats, while those who have seats take their place in line. Among the defendants who will yet take the stand are E. A. Sandler, who received over 17,000 votes in the last elections and who is to be the Communist candidate for Mayor in Los Angeles, and many others.

FORD NOTORIOUS MURDERER

Less than a month ago, Ford thugs in Kentucky coal fields shot to death Harry Simms, 19-year-old strike leader, who was organizing starving miners.

The workers murdered were: Joe York, 23, son of a miner; Joe Debruske, 20; Coleman Lenz, 25, and one other not yet identified.

FORWARD TO NEW STRUGGLES

In addition to a call for a city-wide building trades workers' conference, to lay plans to fight the coming wage cut, sent to all local building trades unions, the Painters Building Trades Conference Committee has issued a leaflet asking members of locals to demand the reading of the call at their meetings, instead of letting bureaucratic officials pigeon-hole them.

Str delegates are asked from each local to the conference, which will be held March 13 at 2:00 p.m. sharp at the new National Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers Union Hall, 11 Duboce Avenue, corner of Mission Street. The call also asks for delegations of unorganized building trades workers.

MASS STARVATION AS A WAR PREPARATION

The complete unconcern of the Board of Supervisors to the demands of the Unemployed of San Francisco, coupled with the 2 resolutions sent to Congress by the Board on March 1st, prove that the City Fathers are using Hoover's statement to the effect that the ambition of his life is the destruction of the Soviet Union "even at the cost of millions of deaths from starvation," as their guide to action.

The platform of this working class candidate among other points, calls for free food, car-fare, clothing and school supplies. All Richmond workers should elect delegates and attend the ratification conference in mass, and cast their vote against a continuation of enforced starvation.

Ford Massacres Unemployed Men

(Continued from Page 1)

"Yes, I am here xzaly c5bxz
"Yes, I was there. I'm not sorry.
I did it for the starving millions.
"Now don't talk to me."

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WORKERS' CHILDREN UNDER-NOURISHED

Faced by starvation following numerous lay-offs and wage-cuts, the workers of Richmond, a highly industrialized center, feel the necessity of placing working class candidates on the ballot. Without a sufficient clothing and school supplies, the workers of Richmond have been distributed at the various "jobs," and an elected committee approached the School Board, Auditorium Board, etc., Monday, February 29, in an effort to secure either a school auditorium or other public building for a mass meeting Sunday, March 6th, for the purpose of electing a committee to present the demands for \$5.00 a day cash for all workers on "charity" jobs.

MOBILIZATION MEETING SUNDAY, MARCH 6TH

Following the refusal of the City authorities to grant a meeting place, the committee secured the new National Painters Union Hall at 11 Duboce Ave., for 2:30 P. M., Sunday, March 6th. This meeting elected the committee that interviewed the Board of Supervisors the following day.

ADVANCE NOTICE! Annual International Labor Defense Picnic on Sunday, June 5th, at East Shore Park, Richmond, Calif. All Workers' Organizations in the Bay Cities are urged to cooperate and to keep this date open. International Labor Defense, District No. 13.

APPEAL: THE MARIN WORKERS' INDUSTRIAL UNION

has opened headquarters on the waterfront. We need furnishings to

make it presentable as a gathering place for the seamen and longshoremen. If you have any

chairs, tables, paint and possibly

radio that is not in use, we ask

you to donate it to the new Center

on the waterfront.

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MASS UNEMPLOYMENT

Up to 80 per cent of the membership of some locals are unemployed. The A. F. of L. (mis)leadership has been past more than ever in the past, shown its true colors, collaborating in and sanctioning wage cuts, drowning the militancy of the workers in a flood of fake promises, scabbing on every strike struggle, using the rank and file as a picard.

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EDITORIAL COLUMN

The Presidential Campaign Opens

The season for the old capitalist political game of bull throwing is on.

Capitalist politicians and parties are raising "issues" for the coming presidential elections.

Boss politicians choose issues which have two main qualifications:

(1)—To justify capitalism and to protect profits and

(2)—to catch votes.

On the West Coast William Randolph Hearst, Hiram Johnson and a host of others have presented two issues.

In brief, their argument is as follows:

The crisis is due largely to prohibition and to cancellation of foreign debts. If prohibition is done away with and if Uncle Sam will obtain debt money, then all will be well with capitalism.

Unfortunately, many workers are being misled by the Hearst and Johnson speeches and writings.

CHASING WILL-O'-THE-WISPS

First, let us consider the question of prohibition. Prohibition was advanced in the last decade as a means of insuring permanent prosperity. Now that prohibition has not insured prosperity, the abolition of prohibition is advanced as a means of insuring permanent prosperity. It is an everlasting will-o'-the-wisp . . . an apology for capitalism. We are against the prohibition law. It has inflicted great hardships upon the masses and has given the government oppressive power over the people of the United States beyond what the most centralized autocracy has ever had. But it is idiotic to say that prohibition is the cause of the crisis. If that is true, why is England, which has no prohibition, so seriously involved in the crisis? Why are the whole German people on the verge of starvation and the Latin-American countries, or Poland, or for that matter, any capitalist country of the world, in a crisis? Prohibition is not the cause of the crisis and the abolition of prohibition will not solve the crisis for capitalism.

WAR DEBTS INTENSIFIED THE CRISIS

The second issue which they raise is that war debt payments should not have been postponed. "America first! So long as there is suffering and starvation in the United States then make war debt payments help solve the crisis."

This argument is just plain charlatanism.

Is there a lack of money in the United States? The United States Treasury and the Federal Reserve Bank's vaults are loaded with gold bullion. In fact, among the factors which intensify the crisis and mass suffering on a world scale as well as in the United States are precisely these huge war debt payments exacted by the Versailles Treaty and the subsequent Dawes and Young plans. The extortion from the German masses of war debt payments has not contributed to the prosperity of the American workers but on the contrary has intensified the misery of our lot.

AMERICAN AND GERMAN WORKERS HAVE COMMON CAUSE

Every wage cut, every increase of hours and every measure for speed up taken against the German workers meant corresponding increase in exploitation by the American bosses of American workers. Always the American bosses have made the argument that they must lower the standard of living of the American workers in order to compete on the international market with goods produced by German and other European workers and employ starvation level wages. And why were the European workers so poorly paid? Exactly because they had to produce such great amounts of surplus value in order to satisfy not only the lust for profits of their own bosses but also of American capitalists in the form of war debt payments.

War debt payments have meant increased misery for the workers of the world and the temporary postponement and possible eventual cancellation was won not only out of the good-heartedness of President Hoover, but was forced by the revolutionary action of the German working class and militant workers of other countries. Hearst and Johnson, by formulating the question as they do, are very demagogically trying to catch votes by representing to the people that the crisis is not due to the profit system and other inherent characteristics of capitalism but that the crisis is due to some isolated mistakes made, such as the 18th Amendment and war debt payment postponements. Revolutionary workers must expose these frauds.

PROFIT SYSTEM IS THE SOURCE OF THE CRISIS

Only the abolition of capitalism will permanently abolish the misery of capitalist crises and war. In the coming election campaign, while we put up our own candidates to fight for immediate improvement of our conditions, by forcing the granting of social insurance and stopping wage cuts, the defeat of the terror, etc., we must remember that only the abolition of the capitalist system and its substitution by a socialist system of society under the protection of a workers' and farmers' government can bring decent living conditions to us.

This is being amply proven in the Soviet Union. With the greater development of industries that we have in the United States, the establishing of the socialist system of society can achieve far greater improvements in the conditions of the workers than what has already been achieved in the Soviet Union; there is no unemployment, no terror against workers and a decent living is assured to everyone willing to work.

Already indications are that the coming elections will be a battle between the demagogic of capitalist politicians and the struggle of the workers under the Communist leadership to improve their conditions. Every militant must be mobilized for this fight! A militant campaign and a big vote for Communist candidates will go a long way to improve our immediate conditions and build our movement for winning the majority of the workers and poor farmers for the establishment of a workers' and farmers' government.

Lindbergh's Baby

The kidnapping of Lindbergh's baby was a god-send for the capitalist press. They had been forced to feature imperialist war in China, unemployment, food fights, and fights against evictions. For days they had to print news about huge wage cuts in the building trades, on the railroads, etc.

And then—

Lindbergh's baby was kidnapped!

Everything was conveniently shoved to the back pages and most things out of the papers entirely. Whole pages of pictures of Anne Morrow, Lindbergh, the nurse, the grandmother, etc. The pictures quickly gave out and then not only were pictures of the same person printed several times in the same issue, but the SAME picture was printed. In one western capitalist sheet we counted 11 of the same pictures on different pages of the nurse, Betty Gow, shoving a baby carriage, in two days. It is nauseating. It is capitalist journalism.

Imagine if such kidnapping took place in the Soviet Union. The boss press would herald it as barbarism, as degeneracy, as the sign of a weakening government, etc. Well, as a matter of fact, it is all these things—but it is the characteristic of modern capitalist society, not of the Soviet Union.

Like a breath of fresh air one reads the working class and farm press of the U. S. S. R. Growth in industry, growth in culture, reduction in literacy, new achievements in science and art.

What a picture—the U. S. S. R. in contrast to the U. S. A.! The American people are no better or worse than the people of the Soviet Union. The same splendid qualities exist. But here we are under a culture which is rapidly becoming more barbaric, more brutalizing every day. Through organization to a better day—then away with this rotten mess!

Hey! You Don't Rate a Vote — I Hired You to Kill

BY KIRBY



Quentin Prisoners Get Red Army Letter

Tom Mooney Most Famous Political Prisoner in U. S. Answers Letter of Siberian Red Army to San Quentin Class War Prisoner

**U. S. S. S. Siberian Region
TARA, KARSK DISTRICT**

Training Course for the Irregulars of 1908
(Vnesvoisoviki-23 years of age)

To the
Political Prisoners
in San Quentin.

Hello Dear Comrades:

In far-away Siberia, near the river Irtysh, in the Uralski forests there is the town of "Tara."

We, the Red Army men, Irregulars—all born in the year 1908, gather together for the first time for military training in our district town of Tara.

On the third day we were informed by the Commander-Political Staff all about the MOPR—the U. S. S. R. Section of IRA—and its tasks. We organized the MOPR nucleus.

We organized our military training in the manner of shock-brigade and socialist competition between the various platoons.

The frosts do not hinder us from our programmed, for we know very well what we are being trained for, and in the defense of whose interests.

Struggle, comrades. Firmly continue the struggle you have begun!

We will finish our training soon and will go out into the Siberian forests to our various villages, where we will organize MOPR nuclei after the manner of the one here.

At present we are preparing timber. The timber is for the Southern parts of Siberia where there are no forests. There they are building gigantic Soviet grain farms and collective farms.

In our district the peasant farms are being collectivized.

Up to the spring sowing campaign of 1931 collectivization must draw in at least 25% of the poor peasant farms.

The collective-farms in our district are progressing very well. It is true there are also shortcomings. But these are evident mostly when the collectives are newly organized. The shortcomings are overcome in the process of work, by criticism and self-criticism.

A few days ago Comrade Hartner came to us. He is a political emigrant from America. He told us about the lives of the workers and farmers of America, of their work and their struggle.

He himself was often imprisoned in America.

His visit served as a great incentive and many new members joined the MOPR nucleus. Our Training Course is in the Red Army Building and just opposite us there is the former Tsarist prison. This prison is all destroyed. Just in one part of it which still stands there are shops of Constructional Workers Courses. In the same building where once, in the tsarist times, one heard only the prison-warden's shouts and the clang of prisoners' chains, now free workers are being trained to be good builders.

At the end of the Courses, a great number of these builders will work on the construction of the combine works in Novosibirsk and in Kuzbassstroy (Kuznets Basin Construction). At the end of our military training some of us also wish to go to the builders' courses.

Dear comrades, we are constructing socialism and at the same time are strengthening the defense of the country.

Be firm. Do not lose courage. Work, recruit your forces. Teach the American workers and farmers-peasants to be class-conscious fighters for the cause of the world revolution.

We are firmly convinced that the time will come when those prisons in which you are now captives will, under our united onslaughts, be turned into ruins. Instead of them there will be factories of labor and the culture of socialism.

Write us a detailed letter about how you live. You answer will reach the second group of Red Army men in the training courses. And we will write to you about our life in the Siberian villages.

Good cheer, comrades! Sincere greetings from us workers to your families and friends.

MOPR Nucleus: (Signatures)

Chairman: Volkov.

California State Prison,
San Quentin, Calif.
MOPR Nucleus, March 4, 1932.
TARA,
Karsk District,
Siberian Region, U. S. S. R.

Dear Comrades:

I read the letter addressed to the political prisoners at San Quentin. It gives great pleasure to answer it and I know that I am also voicing the sentiments of the other victims of capitalist justice incarcerated here.

What a tremendous inspiration is your glowing message of hope, coming from far-off Siberia. It seemed like a dream to have penetrated thick walls, a message directly from workers, descendants of those who were serfs for centuries, just a few short years freed to go to the builders' courses.

Dear comrades, we are constructing socialism and at the same time are strengthening the defense of the country.

Be firm. Do not lose courage. Work, recruit your forces. Teach the American workers and farmers-peasants to be class-conscious fighters for the cause of the world revolution.

We are firmly convinced that the time is shaking it to its foundations; at a time when death is raining on workers and their families in far-off Shanghai and Manchuria; the time when imperialism is getting ready to cut loose with another mass slaughter on an unprecedented scale, it is an unforgettable sensation to read how you workers are constructing a new land and a new life.

You tell us not to lose courage; I have never for one moment wavered in my devotion to the cause of Labor. That is why my enemies are so relentless.

At a time when the capitalist world is experiencing a crisis which is shaking it to its foundations; at a time when death is raining on workers and their families in far-off Shanghai and Manchuria; the time when imperialism is getting ready to cut loose with another mass slaughter on an unprecedented scale, it is an unforgettable sensation to read how you workers are constructing a new land and a new life.

So build your land! Rest assured that though entombed as we are by concrete and steel, our vision is not blinded. We are watching you closely, we glory in your achievements. We are with you in your struggles, as we know it is difficult to build where there was nothing before. We are thrilled to see arising out of the muck and filth and ignorance and superstition that was old Russia, the new land of the Soviets, the homeland of the world's proletariat. From the ashes of the dark past we see arising a new world. I express to you from the bottom of my heart, my solidarity with you.

Comrades greetings to you all! I am with you heart and soul.

Comradely yours,
TOM MOONEY
31-921.

WORKERS ORGANIZATION
DISTRICT 13 PASSES HALF-WAY MARK IN RECRUITING DRIVE

MUST CONCENTRATE ON SHOPS—FEW NEGRO, FILIPINO, MEXICAN WORKERS YET RECRUITED

The recruiting drive in our district is going ahead. Over 270 members joined the Party. However, the figures reveal the following picture: Most of our recruits are from the ranks of the unemployed, every few from shops and farms. Fewer yet from A. F. of L. locals; practically no Negroes, Mexicans or Filipinos.

DANGER SIGNAL

This must be a danger signal for us. With the war in China and the more intense preparations to attack the Soviet Union, how are we going to rally the workers

against imperialist war? How are we going to defend the Soviet Union? Unemployed workers must be welcomed into our Party, but we must remember that the majority of the working class are still in the shops (mostly working part time). Therefore the question is not only, whether we recruit members into the Party, BUT WHERE FROM?

Lenin's slogan, "EVERY SHOP A FORTRESS OF COMMUNISM,"

must be put into immediate practice and the question whether we recruit sufficiently and where from, must be put on the agenda of every unit and section. We must examine our recruiting campaign and correct our lack of shop work.

The present signature campaign to put the Party on the ballot, must become one of our best means to penetrate the shops. Comrades must be assigned to collect signatures in shops. These names must be used as a basis to organize the Party units and revolutionary unions.

KEEPING NEW MEMBERS

Hand in hand with recruiting new members into our Party, must go "how to keep the new members."

The fluctuation of members in the past has proven that we did not always know how to keep our recruits. We must take all steps to keep every recruit in the Party.

1. The tasks assigned to new members must be explained in a very simple manner.

2. Members must not be ordered, but consulted as to the tasks assigned to them.

3. Stimulate the new members to participate in the discussions; especially invite them to criticize and give reports of their own experiences.

Old Party members have much to learn from the new members and we must encourage these new members to participate in the daily life of the Party. This is the only way that our recruiting drive will be successful.



OVERTHROWING A RED REGIME—By T. T. C. Gregory, April, May and June issues of World's Works, vol. 41-42, 1921.

The recent appointment of John M. Gregory, son of T. T. C. Gregory San Francisco lawyer to the post of assistant U. S. District Attorney calls to mind an incident with which every worker should be familiar.

Immediately after the world war, Hoover hired himself to Europe to attempt to stave off working class revolution. Going on the avowed theory that "bread is mightier than the sword," and realizing the "power of food and economic factors as modern weapons for the curtailing of unconscionable (sic) political ambitions for preserving international peace," Hoover, aided by Captain T. T. C. Gregory set to work.

HOOVER STARVES OUT REVOLTING WORKERS

The old Austro-Hungarian empire was divided in such a manner that each segment was dependent on the dictates of allied capitalism for its economic life. This gave the American food administration a whip hand over the rebellious Central European workers.

Despite Hoover and Gregory, Hungary set up a workers government. Captain T. T. C. Gregory, finding a frontal military attack impractical, set up a blockade of Hungary so that the revolution would be starved out, for, said he, "No government can last long around here under which its people lack both food and work."

USES LABOR FAKERS

Gregory then set about to get in touch with reactionary labor leaders, using as contact man a sub-military commissar of the revolutionary army named Boeme, and an unnamed assistant food commissar. To these he promised bread and peace provided Bela Kun was ousted. The food commissar was persuaded to steal a million dollars from the Hungarian treasury, ostensibly for relief, but actually to finance counter revolution.

At the critical time, the labor fakers were able to defeat the revolutionary workers under the leadership of Bela Kun, Rumanian soldiers, taking advantage of the confusion, entered Buda-Pest. Despite Gregory's promise that there would be no political persecution, a reign of terror was set up.

Boeme, as well as the labor fakers,

MOVIE REVIEWS

THE PARIS COMMUNE—By Jack Haynes—Playing March 21 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 150 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco.

No workers can afford to miss this play—Not only is it intensely dramatic and swift in its action and novel in form, not only true historically, but it reveals to the worker the similarity between the situation prior to and during the Commune, and the present world situation.

FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR

The workers of two nations were plunged into the red slaughter of '70 and '71 for the "glory of France" and the "salvation of Germany." Their lack of a well developed class consciousness and a strong leadership made it easy for them to become the victims of capitalist assassination.

BOUGEOISIE SLAUGHTER COMMUNARDS

At the capitulation of Paris by the French Government, composed of capitalist lackeys conniving with the lackeys of German capitalism, the Communards